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The Touring Chronicle

A publication of the
Vintage Motor Car
Club of America



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Half Year Special Began July 1st



Membership Specials



Heads turn when an old car drives down the street. People stop to admire and ask questions and “remember when.”

Summer is a great time to invite new folks to join us as VMCCA members. Our Membership Specials can help encourage registrations.



The **Half-Year Special** runs from July 1 through August 31. New members who join then will receive the second half of 2025 for half the usual annual dues.

The **Car Purchase Special** is always available. It gives a year's free membership in VMCCA to a non-member who purchases a vintage car from a VMCCA member.



The **Swap Meet Special** offers the rest of the calendar year for half the usual dues, to new enrollees who sign up *and pay dues* at a VMCCA swap meet booth.

We have special deals for military veterans and students, too. Keep a bunch of our brochures handy in all your vehicles, and invite everyone who admires old cars to come join in the fun with our Membership Specials!



VMCCA Board of Governors Meetings Invitation

Quarterly and Special Meetings of the Board of Governors are for the purpose of conducting the business of VMCCA. Non-Board members may speak at these meetings if given permission or are requested to do so in advance by the President. All others visiting zoom meetings will be muted by the zoom administrator.

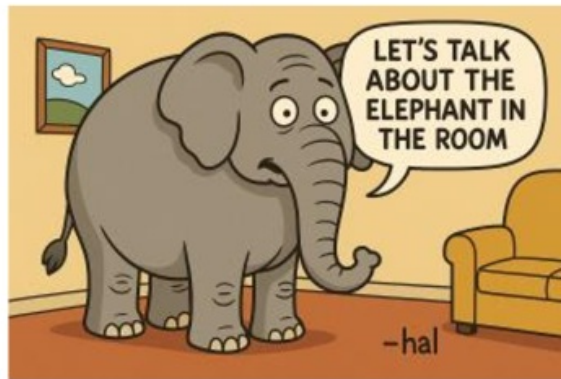
The next 2 Board of Governors Meetings are scheduled for **August 13th** and **November 12th, 2025** 9PM EST.

For meeting invitation and ZOOM logon link.

Contact Mike Welsh
vsecretary@vmcca.org

Phone 816-298-6412

Two weeks of cool, rainy, nasty weather, coupled with recent interactions with the visitor to our last meeting, has given me time to think about what I feel are this club's most pressing issues. (**OUR ELEPHANTS IN THE ROOM**)



First (but not foremost) among those issues that came to mind is our ever-shrinking membership. We are not the only club facing this dilemma. It's not just we antique car clubs; it is almost every club or organization that relies on volunteers

to carry out their mission. The Rotary, Elks, Moose, and other service clubs in addition to Volunteer Fire companies, Rescue Squads, Hospital Auxiliaries, and a whole host of other groups are sitting around trying to come up with a plan to attract new members and to keep the ones they already have.

While we do speak to this issue on a somewhat regular basis, we have no real plan. Yes, we have suggestions about things that can be done, but not a plan.

Second among my issues list is our continuous adoption of a deficit budget. I seem to remember someone reporting that this has gone on since COVID came to visit, but it may have originated even before that. Regardless, we need to understand that no matter how many members we have or are able to attract, not being able to pay our financial obligations will kill the club quicker than not having enough members to make it worth having a club. Ours is the only club to which I have ever belonged that operates in this manner on a continual basis.

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VMCCA 2025 Calendar of Events

Registration Forms for 2025 tours will be posted on the VMCCA website, in the Bulb Horn Magazine, and in The Touring Chronicle as they become available. Please check frequently!

The following is a list of tours available on a National level:

(Volunteers to plan and host these tour are always needed.)

- Annual Membership & 1st Qtr Meet (Feb or Mar)
- Chrome Glidden Tour (Mar thru Oct)
- 1 & 2 Cylinder Tour (Jun thru Aug)
- Eastern Nickel Tour (May, Jun or early Sep)
- Western Nickel Tour (May, Jun or early Sep)
- Heritage Tour (May thru Oct)
- Western National Tour (May thru Sep)
- Muscle/Convertible/Orphan (any time)
- Revival AAA Glidden Tour (rotate VMCCA – AACA – Sep)

Contact Trisha Copley, VP Activities, for details
vactivities@vmcca.org

***** 2025 Tours *****

August 4 - 7 2025, Grand Indiana Auto Tour,
Centered around Horse Cave, Kentucky.

Host: Roger & Cherryl Goodman 270-473-0722

The host hotel is the Holiday Inn Express Horse
Cave, KY Hotel phone: 270-786-5000

**August 24-28, 2025, Defiance Chapter's Farm
Boys Tour, French Lick, Indiana, Kelly Copeland
419-306-1727**

**September 7-12, 2025, Revival AAA Glidden
Tour®, Owensboro, KY, Jeff Stumb, Tour Director,
misterglass@trace.com,
2025gliddentourky@gmail.com 423-385-4414**

**October 18-23, 2025, MID-ATLANTIC VMCCA
REGIONAL FALL TOUR SCENIC VIRGINIA AND WEST
VIRGINIA Woodstock, VA. Limit 40 cars
Chester and Nancy Bradfield 540-435-2001**

October 31 - November 4, 2025, VMCCA
Foundation Tour, Navasota, Texas, Information
contact B.D. Berryhill BandD@brhlegacy.com
phone 432-889-2522
Registrar: Pat Crandall jamieandpat@gmail.com

Since the '60s, Ford Has Stored Cars Underground in a Kansas City Cave

Members of the Northern Colorado are discussing organizing and host a National level tour in Kansas in 2026. When members start talking about a certain area of the country, most of them will have a verbal list of venues to see. One venue mentioned was the salt mines where Ford Mavericks were stored in the mid 1970's. One of our members, Gib Coalwell, asked me if there is a hoard of unsold Mavericks still storied there. Honestly, all I knew about the salt mines was the image of Mavericks shown below. I suspected that the storage was a short term solution to unsold car storage and the mines were no longer in use. An internet search proved me wrong. The following Hagerty article is from October 21, 2024. Not only is Ford Motor Company still using the mines, they have been developed into modern facilities.



You may have seen a photo floating around the Internet that depicts a gaggle of Mavericks—not the pickup, but the econo-coupe that preceded it—lurking in what appears to be some type of natural cave. Dig a little deeper, and you might even stumble across a sentence or two explaining that these unlikely spelunkers represent overstock stuffed by Ford into a subterranean system carved deep beneath the bedrock of Missouri.

The image might seem an oddball anachronism, some kind of temporary solution to overflowing dealer lots that somehow made sense in the 1970s. Would it surprise you to find out that Ford is actually entering its seventh decade of keeping cars in



said caves, which are part of a vast business complex called SubTropolis?

[Link to article](#)

2025 Events and Tour Fliers



#29 • Join us in Horse Cave, KY

GRAND INDIANA AUTO TOUR • AUGUST 4-7, 2025

Holiday Inn Express • 750 Flint Ridge Dr. • Horse Cave, KY 42749 • Ph 270-786-5000

Room Rate \$119 per night (dial 0 to speak with front desk for reservations)

Hosts: Roger and Cherryl Goodman • Ph 270-473-0722

Deadline for hotel/registration 7/3/25. Contact Lou Ann Bowman • Ph 502-777-3498

dalabowman@gmail.com • www.grandindianaautotour.com

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Room Rate \$119 per night (Grand Indiana Auto Tour) plus taxes • Deadline for hotel/registration 7/3/25.

Hosts: Roger and Cheryl Goodman • Ph 270-473-0722

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Driver Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

E-Mail _____

of Previous Grand Indiana Auto Tours? _____

All Participants Must Be Listed – Adults & Children

Passenger 1 _____

City _____ State _____ # Prev GIATs _____

Passenger 2 _____

City _____ State _____ # Prev GIATs _____

Passenger 3 _____

City _____ State _____ # Prev GIATs _____

Passenger 4 _____

City _____ State _____ # Prev GIATs _____

Are any of the above handicapped or require assistance? _____

Any dietary restrictions, vegetarian, gluten, etc? _____

Driver must be a member of VMCCA national club. Online application forms may be found at www.vmcca.org. Tour will be limited to vehicles 2000 and older. No modern replicas of old vehicles, modified or hot rods will be accepted. The vehicle may not display any advertising of a current nature. Registration closes July 3, 2025. No refunds for cancellation received after July 3, 2025.

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Year _____ Make _____

Body Style _____ Body Color _____

FEES AND OTHER CHARGES

Entry Fee (One Car and Driver)..... \$140.00

Passengers..... @ \$140.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL..... \$ _____

OWNER/DRIVER COMMITMENT/RELEASE STATEMENT

Owner _____

Address _____

Vehicle: Year _____ Make _____

State Registered in (domicile state) _____

License number _____

I hereby agree to enter the vehicle described in the Veteran Motor Car Club of America, KYR, 2025 Grand Indiana Auto Tour. In consideration of the right to enter this event and for other valuable considerations, I (we) do hereby agree to indemnify, protect, defend and hold harmless The Veteran Motor Car Club of America and its Chapters and/or Regions, Officers and Representatives from and against any and all claims, costs, liabilities and attorneys' fees arising from damage or injury, actual or claimed, of any kind or nature, to property or persons, resulting from my (our) participation in the 2025 Grand Indiana Auto Tour.

The owner/driver has proof of bodily injury and property damage liability insurance on the entered vehicle in the amount of at least \$100,000 per person, \$300,000 per accident bodily injury liability and \$100,000 property damage liability, or \$300,000 combined single limit liability insurance.

Insurance Co. Name _____

Policy Number _____

Policy Term (Dates) _____ to _____

The owner/driver certifies that the described vehicle entered in this event has duly passed the requirements of the motor vehicle authorities, or other governing bodies of the state in which the vehicle is registered, and the vehicle shall be legally registered and/or licensed. The Veteran Motor Car Club of America and its representatives will not, and cannot, be held responsible for the "safety certification" of any participating vehicle.

Signed (Owner) _____

Driver (If Different) _____

Date _____

Make sure to make a copy of this form for your records.

Then, please return this form with your check, made payable to Grand Indiana Auto Tour and mail to:

Lou Ann Bowman
4323 Wyandotte Cave Road
Milltown, Indiana 47145
502-777-3498 • dalabowman@gmail.com

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WWW.VMCCA.ORG

**Look HERE for Printable Grand Indiana Auto Tour
Registration Form**

Farm Boys Tour French Lick Indiana

August 24-28, 2025



French Lick Resort



Patoka Lake State Park



Wilstem
Wildlife Park



Marengo Cave



Spring Mill State Park

West Baden
Springs Hotel



Sunday: arrival & opening banquet

Monday: (80 mi) Patoka Lake & Marengo Cave Tours

Tuesday: (70 mi) Gasthof Amish Village & French Lick Museum

Wednesday: (50 mi) Spring Mills State Park

Thursday: (30 mi) Wilstem Wildlife Park tour w/closing luncheon

**Look HERE for printable registration
form**

ALL ROADS
LEAD TO

Owensboro
KENTUCKY

Revival AAA
**GLIDDEN
TOUR®
2025**

Save the Date
SEPT. 7-12



The Touring Club
www.VMCCA.org

Questions? Contact Jeff Stumb

☎ (423) 385-4414 ✉ 2025gliddentourky@gmail.com

Distance from these cities...

Chicago ~ 6 hours

Atlanta ~ 6 hours

St. Louis ~ 3 hours

Nashville ~ 2 hours

Indianapolis ~ 3 hours

Columbus ~ 5 hours

**The Revival AAA Glidden Tour Registration IS
CLOSED**

Owensboro, Ky., hotels — 2025 Glidden Tour



The Home2 Suites is brand new and will open in the Spring of 2025. The rate for the Glidden Tour is \$129 a night and includes breakfast each morning. Reservations can be made by calling 270-570-9797 or my emailing Nate Taylor at ntaylor@superhosthospitality.com.

Look HERE for printable UPDATED hotel map



**MID-ATLANTIC VMCCA REGIONAL
FALL TOUR
SCENIC VIRGINIA AND WEST VIRGINIA
October 18-23, 2025
Woodstock, VA
Limit 40 cars**

Tentative Schedule:

- Sunday – Registration from 10-1 pm
About 1:30 we will leave Woodstock motel to visit a Carriage Museum in Bridgewater at 3 pm. Our Welcome dinner will be in New Market on our way back about 6 pm.
- Monday -- Planned by Mike Murphy and Sandy Tierney
Visiting scenic West Virginia, H & T Market, Teet's Cattle Company, and lunch. Return to Strasburg Emporium.
- Tuesday -- Planned by Larry and Linda Zirkle
Virginia Museum of the Civil War, lunch in New Market, scenic drives along the mountains, Cooter's Place and Duke's of Hazzard Museum.
- Wednesday – Planned by Terry and Peggy Spitzer
Tour Shrine Mount hotel, Plains District Memorial Museum, lunch at church, car collection, and closing banquet in Woodstock.
- Thursday -- Checkout.

Hotel Information:

Hampton Inn, 1150 Motel Drive, Woodstock, VA
Phone: 540-459-7111 Code: Mid-Atlantic

Standard Rooms:	\$109	Rates are good before and after dates.
Suites:	\$129	Cut off date: September 18, 2025

Fee for Pets: \$50 for event

Chester and Nancy Bradfield
540-435-2001
nansgram@aol.com

[Look HERE for printable Flier](#)

[Look HERE for printable Registration form](#)

[Look HERE for M-A Region Annual Meeting Registration Form](#)



Don't miss the bus!!!

Coming this Fall to Navasota, Texas the VMCCA Foundation will be hosting a tour to help raise funds for scholarship applicants.

**Oct. 31st—
Nov. 4th**

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ANTIQUE CAROUSEL
- BUSH LIBRARY
- COTTON GIN TOUR
- TX PRISON MUSEUM

Host Hotel— Candlewood Suites Navasota
(936) 510-8700

Overflow Hotel— Comfort Inn
(936) 825-9461



**Foundation
Tour 2025**

For more information contact:
BD Berryhill at (432)889-2522 or
email: BandD@brhlegacy.com

Tour Registrar: Pat Crandall
jamieandpat@gmail.com

ALL CARS WELCOME!

Tour Limit: 60 Cars

\$ \$ \$ Bring your wallet \$ \$ \$

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Look HERE for a printable Flier



VMCCA Foundation Tour
Oct 31 - Nov 4, 2025, Navasota, Texas
Hosted by VMCCA Foundation
ALL CARS WELCOME -- Limited to 60 vehicles
(Please Print)



Owner _____ Driver(if different) _____
Address of Driver _____ City, State, Zip _____
Phone (H) _____ (C) _____ E-mail Address _____
VMCCA Region _____ Chapter (if any) _____

Print names for name tags

Driver _____ City & State _____
Passenger 1 _____ City & State _____
Passenger 2 _____ City & State _____
Passenger 3 _____ City & State _____

Vehicle Year _____ Make _____ Body Type _____ Body Color(s) _____

State & License Plate No. _____ Need trailer parking? Yes ☐ No ☐

REGISTRATION FEES include Hospitality Room, 4 meals, 4 coffee stops, admissions to attractions, Tour Book.

One vehicle & driver	1	x \$395	\$395.00
Non-VMCCA driver add annual dues \$48	_____	x \$48	_____
Passengers	_____	x \$395	_____
Passengers (ages 4 thru 11)	_____	x \$200	_____
Extra Tour Book	_____	x \$15	_____

TOTAL ENCLOSED

Make check payable to:
VMCCA Foundation

- Mail to: Pat Crandall, Registrar
P. O. Box 161
Hempstead, TX 77445
- **Deadline is OCTOBER 15, 2025**
- Chair: BD Berryhill (432)889-2522
- <mailto:bdberryhill@procominc.net>
- jamieandpat@gmail.com

Hotel and RV Park Information

Candlewood Suites
9313 State HWY 6
Navasota, TX 77868
Phone (936) 510-8700
VMCCA Block \$110 plus tax

Comfort Inn & Suites (Overflow)
9345 State HWY 6
Navasota, TX 77868
Phone (936) 825-9461
VMCCA Block \$110 plus tax

Western RV Park
9524 HWY Loop S
Navasota, TX 77868
Phone: (936) 306-3821
www.thewesternrvpark.com

Owner/Driver Commitment/Release Statement: I hereby agree to enter the vehicle described in the Vintage Motor Car Club of America event. In consideration of the right to enter this event and other valuable considerations, I (we) do hereby agree to indemnify, protect, defend and hold harmless VMCCA and its Chapters, Regions, Officers, and Representatives from and against any claims, costs, liabilities and attorneys' fees arising from damage or injury, actual or claimed, of any kind or nature, to property or persons, resulting from my (our) participation in the VMCCA Foundation Tour. The owner/driver has proof of bodily injury and property damage liability insurance on the entered vehicle in the amount of at least \$100,000 per person, \$300,000 per accident bodily injury liability and \$100,000 property damage liability, or \$300,000 combined single limit liability insurance.

Name of Insurance Company is _____ Policy No. _____ Policy Term _____ to _____
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Signed _____ Date _____ Driver (if different) _____ Date _____

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Look HERE for a printable REGISTRATION form



THE VMCCA FOUNDATION

The VMCCA Foundation scholarships are rolling in. If approved, each applicant is awarded \$1500.00.

Here are four ways you can help:

1. Sell or donate an old car you're not driving.
2. Plan a chapter or regional fundraiser.
3. Don't forget we accept old fashion CASH!
4. Attend the Foundation Tour Oct 31– Nov 4th in Navasota, Texas.

Any questions can be answered by visiting the VMCCA Foundation website. Please mail your donations to:

The VMCCA Foundation

P. O. Box 161

Hempstead, TX 77445

Learn more about the VMCCA Foundation at
www.vmccafoundation.org

**Visit the VMCCA Foundation website
HERE**

**Region and Chapter Newsletters
Articles of Interest**

Inside Facts on the 1951 Studebaker Line

By Robert Tate, Award-Winning Automotive Historian and Researcher
Images Courtesy of the Robert Tate Collection
Published 7.9.2025



The 1951 Studebaker sales manual (Robert Tate Collection)

If you were a salesman at a Studebaker dealership in 1951, you would use a manual called "Inside Facts" featuring all the relevant information for their full line of vehicles. The early 1950s was an era when people would go to the automobile dealership to purchase a new vehicle for their family.

For perspective, here a few facts from 1951. Most of the public did not yet own a television set. A new 1951 Studebaker cost \$1,487, and the price of a gallon of gas was 27 cents. The average price for purchasing a new home was \$7,354.

The Studebaker Inside Facts manual is very rare, collectable and a part of automotive history. The material reflects and illustrates our culture at the time, while sharing the styling of the new 1951 Studebaker models.

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GLR NEWS

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GLR Swap Meet Rolls On

Text by Rick Thomas – Photos by Rick Thomas & Dave Plassman

Where did it begin? Well, the first GLR Swap Meet was May 4, 1975, at Springfield Oaks County Park in Davisburg MI. In 1980 the event moved to the (much more) spacious Fowlerville Fairgrounds in Livingston County, Michigan, and a tradition was born. Despite passing time, changing cultural attitudes and even a global pandemic, the annual GLR Fowlerville Swap Meet appears to be as strong as ever.

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CALENDAR

July

Friday, July 4th
Independence Day

Saturday, July 26th
Rolling into Roanoke

July 27–August 1
74th GLR Tour
"Down by the Bay"

August

August 1st–3rd Grizz Garage Tour
Grizz Garage Tour

Friday, August 1st
GLR Picnic

August 4th–7th
Grand Indiana Auto Tour

August 24th–28th
Farm Boys Tour
Defiance Chapter



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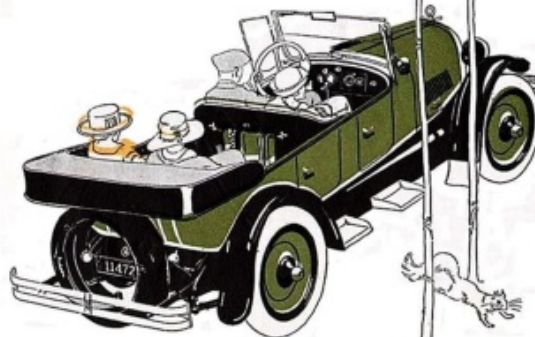
The E-CRANK is a publication by and for the members of the Albuquerque Chapter of the Vintage Motor Car Club of America, a not-for-profit organization (Membership in VMCCA is a prerequisite to membership in the local club). The deadline for publication is the next to the last day of the current month. All contributions for publication must be in to the editor by that date.

Lyle Schultz-editor
lrschultz44@gmail.com

Be a E-CRANK reporter! We always need clear images and a few words to fill this journal.



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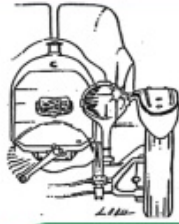


Business Meeting
&
Get Together
Saturday - May 18
9:00am
Mimi's Café
4316 The 25 Way NE.
Albuquerque, NM
87109
505.341.0300

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July 2025

IHOP Breakfast Meetings

Meetings will be held the 1st Saturday of the month at 8:00am at IHOP 5450 Stone Creek Circle Loveland, CO 80538.

Next meeting July 5th, 2025.

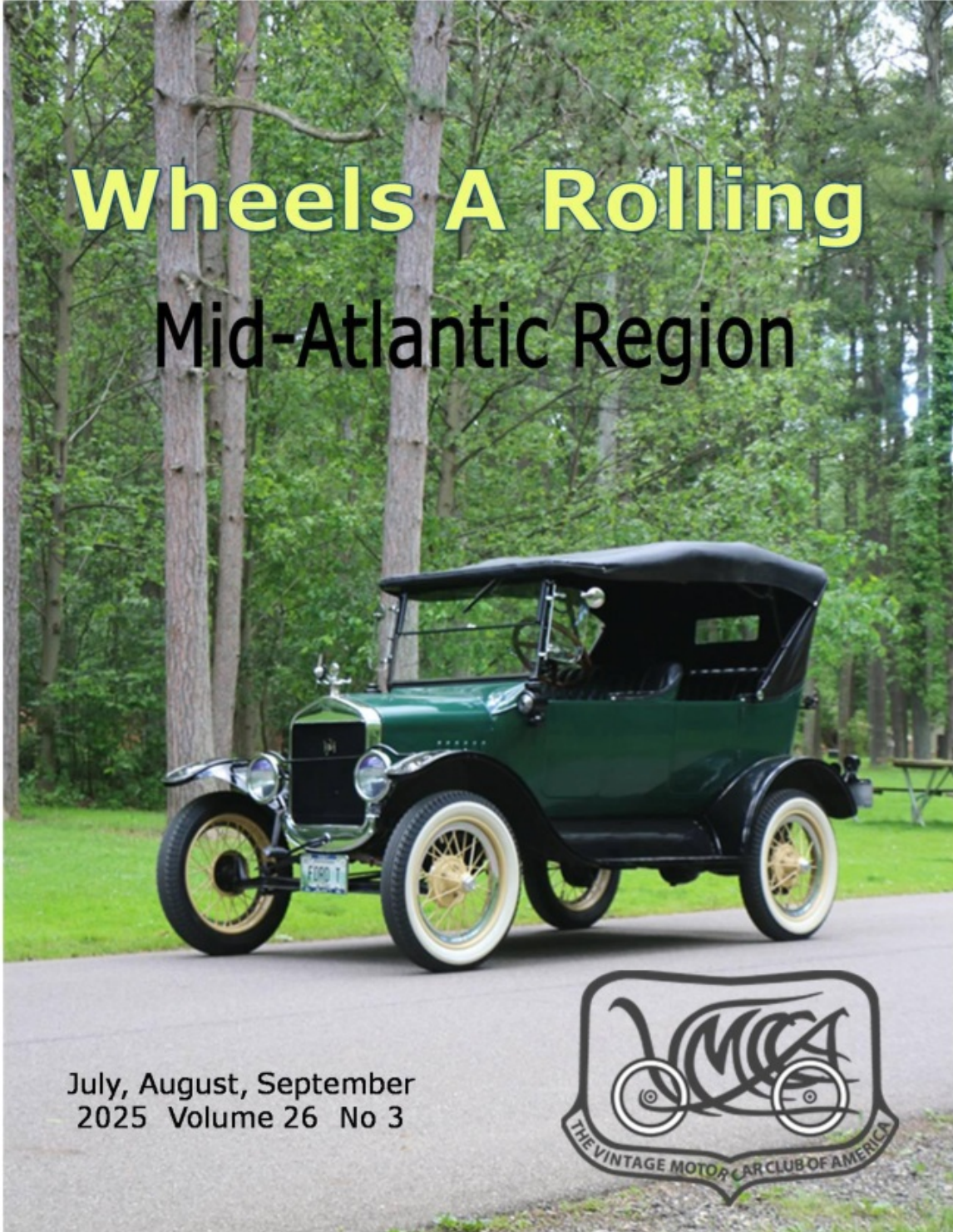
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Wheels A Rolling

Mid-Atlantic Region



July, August, September
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The NEWSLEAK



Gold Dust Chapter *Est 1984*

Vintage Motor Car Club of America

Mountain & Plains Region—Western South Dakota

June 2025

ABOUT OUR CLUB



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Interested in becoming a member of the **Gold Dust Chapter** of the VMCCA? Please feel free to contact one of the Club Officers (see bottom of pg 2) for more information or complete the New Member Application and Proof of Insurance found at the back of this newsletter and return to the Club Secretary. We would love to have you join!

FROM THE **JUNE** TOUR



Our hosts: Pat Snook & Al Perry



A beautiful day for driving on Nemo and Vanocker Canyon Roads (Photos by Tanya Manus)



UPCOMING **JULY** TOUR

No July Tour scheduled as of publication time.
(The Star Spangled Banner Parade will be held on July 4th in Hill City, if anyone wants to participate.)
<https://visithillcitysd.com/do/events>



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Several Gold Dust members took part in the Star-Spangled Parade in Hill City on the 4th of July

*Randy & Patsy Schmidt, '71 Cadillac Eldorado

(remember in 2020 when the out-of-state motorcycle lady ignored all the warning signs and walked up to a buffalo in Custer State Park? The buffalo caught its horn on her jeans & got away with 'em!)

*Nick Monner, '58 Cadillac Series 62

*Lou Manus & Tanya Manus, '68 Mercury Monterey

UPCOMING AUGUST TOUR

Day: Friday & Saturday **Date:** August 15 & 16, 2025
Time: 9:30am (Aug 15) **Hosts:** Paul & Karen Larson
Meet: Library Parking Lot, Custer
(east of 385/16 on Crook St, across the street from Yesway)
Tour: Guernsey WY Area
(See more details on page 3)
RSVP: larsonpk@goldenwest.net
call or text to 605-380-2452 (Paul), 605-380-3895 (Karen)



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RUMBLESEAT CHATTER



Official Newsletter of the Fredericksburg Vintage Car Club

July 2025

July 4th Parade and Picnic

Deck out your car and join leaders Doug and Shawn Reaves at 9:00 a.m. to line up at the corner of San Antonio Street and N. Adams Street for Fredericksburg's annual July 4th Parade (bring your VMCCA Driver Release Form). Then, at 12:45 p.m., all members are invited to the Wyatt's home (4721 Eckert Road, FBG) where the club will provide a hamburger and hot dog picnic, baked beans, and potato salad. Paper goods, tea, and water will also be furnished. Bring your own drinks of choice and a dessert. RSVP to Molly Wyatt at mollyjimw@gmail.com if you plan to attend.

48th Hill Country Swap Meet

The 2025 Hill Country Swap Meet will be held at Lady Bird Municipal Park (432 Lady Bird Drive, Fredericksburg) Friday through Sunday, July 25-27. Times are Friday and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:00 a.m. to noon. Come check out the vehicles, parts, tools, auto accessories, and flea market items available for purchase. Concessions will be available; admission is free.

"Surprise" September Tour

Save the date! Greg and Cathy Rising will lead a surprise tour on Saturday, September 27. More details to come at the July 1 meeting.

October Tour

Plans are underway for our October Tour . . . stay tuned!

VMCCA Foundation Tour

You can still sign up for the VMCCA Foundation Tour, October 31-November 4, 2025, to Navasota, Texas. Tour highlights include the Bush Museum and a Cotton Gin Tour. Go to the VMCCA.org website for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

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Monthly Meeting

7:00 p.m., Golden Hub

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July 4th Parade

Fredericksburg

JULY

25-27

Hill Country Swap Meet

Lady Bird Johnson Park

SEPTEMBER

27

Surprise Tour

More details to come.



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Official Newsletter of the Fredericksburg Vintage Car Club

August 2025

Street Dreams on August 2

Head to Street Dreams, 7914 S State Highway 16, on Saturday, August 2, at 9:00 a.m. for *Cars and Coffee*. Remember, don't rush the cook!

September 2 Meeting at Mamacita's

Join us on Tuesday, September 2, at Mamacita's Restaurant in Kerrville (215 Junction Highway) for our monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by the meeting. The cost is \$20 per person (cash only please). RSVP to Greg Rising at (760)532-9877 or cathyrising@gmail.com. (The Board will meet in the upstairs room at Mamacita's prior to dinner at 4:30 p.m.)

September 27 Tour

The Risings are leading a surprise tour on Saturday, September 27. Everyone will meet at the Y.O. Ranch Hotel (2033 Sidney Baker St, Kerrville) and then head south. More details coming soon.

October and November Tours

Plans are in the works for our October and November tours . . . stay tuned!

VMCCA Foundation Tour

You can still sign up for the VMCCA Foundation Tour, October 31-November 4, 2025, to Navasota, Texas. Tour highlights include the Bush Museum and a Cotton Gin Tour. Go to the VMCCA.org website for more information.

Welcome New Members!

Welcome to our newest members Jack and Missi Pratt. They have a 1929 Ford Model A Sports Coupe and a 1929 Ford Model A Roadster.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

2

Cars and Coffee

9:00 a.m., Street Dreams

AUGUST

5

Monthly Meeting

7:00 p.m., Golden Hub

SEPTEMBER

2

Monthly Meeting

6:00 p.m., Mamacita's

SEPTEMBER

27

Surprise Tour

More details to come.

Looking Ahead to 2026

Tours and plans are in the works for 2026. Look for more information coming soon.

- **2026 National Tour to Amarillo** — Our club has been asked to help with this.
- **100th Anniversary of Route 66** — This tour will take participants to the quirky town of Groom, Texas.
- **Kerrville Car Show** — Kerrville will host a car show on Saturday, May 16, from 7:00-11:00 a.m., followed by a parade. Organizers are hoping to have at least 250 cars participate.

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2025 VMCCA National Awards

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1. BEST OWNER RESTORED OR MAINTAINED CHRYSLER PRODUCT AWARD

Best Chrysler Product 25 years or older.

Sponsor: Toledo chapter, Great Lakes Region

2. BUCK SHAVER AWARD FOR THE BEST OWNER RESTORED TRUCK

Sponsor: Pikes Peak Chapter, Mtns. and Plains Region

3. BEST PRESERVED ORIGINAL CAR AT LEAST 60 YEARS

Original running gear, body, paint, upholstery and top are required. Minor repairs and touchup are allowed. Cars with the least score higher. Required mechanical and structural repairs plus tire replacement to permit safe driving on touring events accepted.

Sponsors: Jim and Marilyn Talbot in memory of Past President Dorothy Houdek

4. BEST OWNER RESTORED OR MAINTAINED ORPHAN MAKE AWARD

For restored cars of parent corporations no longer in the automobile business or those "abandoned" cars that are no longer being made by a manufacturer (such as Plymouth, Oldsmobile) produced from 1934 to 1964. Car must have been driven on a regional or national tour in the previous two years. Sponsor: Fredericksburg Chapter, Texoma Region

5. FOUNDER'S TROPHY

Best pre-1928 car driven the longest distance to a National Tour Sponsor: Kentucky Region

6. THE JIM SPENCER MEMORIAL TROPHY

Best Antique Car, 1960 through 25 years old.

Sponsor: Bob and Sally Murray

7. LARRY AMES MEMORIAL AWARD

Best owner restored car 1913 through 1937.

Sponsor: The Ames Family in memory of Larry Ames

8. THE NIFTY FIFTIES AWARD

Best Restored Chevrolet 1950 through 1959.

Sponsor: B.D. Berryhill in memory of Catherine Berryhill

9. PIKES PEAK CHAPTER MEMORIAL AWARD

Best restored foreign car, 25 years old or older.

Sponsor: Pikes Peak Chapter, Mountains and Plains Region

10. RALPH BUCKLEY AWARDS

Best professionally restored car through 1913.

Sponsor: New York Region

11. SOUTHWEST REGION AWARD

Best VMCCA recognized car driven on a regular basis.

Sponsor: Southwest Region

12. BEST MUSCLE CAR AWARD

Best 1964 through 1974 muscle car with an engine of 300 H.P. or greater. Sponsor: Southwest Florida Region

13. FORREST G. DOWNING MEMORIAL TROPHY

Best owner restored car built between 1920 to 1929 (excluding the Model A Ford). Car must have been driven on a VMCCA Regional or National Tour during the year.

Sponsors: Shirley Downing Doherty and Barbara Downing Fox

14. THE MIKE DERBIDGE MEMORIAL AWARD

This award acknowledges the long trip that some members make to create a running vehicle from nothing. The owner of the vehicle is to be the primary restorer. Documentation via photos and/or written story will be used in judging.

Sponsor: Eastern Idaho Chapter, Bonneville Region

15. BEST OWNER RESTORED OR MAINTAINED STATION WAGON ON A REGIONAL OR NATIONAL TOUR

Driven on a Regional or National Tour this year.

Sponsor: Northern Colo. Chapter, Mt. and Plains Region

16. BEST 40'S BUICK

Best 1940 to 1949 Buick on a Regional or National Tour.

Sponsor: Michael Stemen in memory of Karen Lynn Stemen

17. THE BOB ERAUSQUIN AWARD

Best Packard on a Tour.

Sponsor: Great Lakes Region

18. CARL DAWES MEMORIAL AWARD

Member (excluding members of the Board of Governors) doing the most for the club.

Sponsor: Great Lakes Region

19. OUTSTANDING REGIONAL DIRECTOR AWARD

Regional Director who did the most for the VMCCA and his/her Region during the year.

Sponsor: Mountains and Plains Region

20. PAST PRESIDENT'S MEMORIAL TROPHY

Person or Couple who best symbolize(s) the spirit of the VMCCA while on a Regional or National Tour.

Sponsor: The Werckle Family in Memory of Dr. Mike Werckle

21. YOUNG ENTHUSIAST AWARD

Youngest owner/driver to participate in a VMCCA Regional or National Tour

Sponsors: Mike and Joan Huffman

22. MASTER MECHANIX EXTRAORDINAIRE

Plays a starring role in the repair team that accompanies all regional and national tours. This person makes sense of it all and makes them run again-or not. These starring roles are typically demonstrated in two or more tours. Pictures are demonstrating these heroic acts are encouraged.

Sponsor: Judith Derbidge

23. THE BILL PRESTON MEMORIAL AWARD

For outstanding National Tour Director as voted upon by the National Board.

Sponsors: Jim and Ginger Cohen

PRESIDENT'S AWARD: Outstanding contributions to the VMCCA as selected by the President. Sponsor: Board

NOTICE: Award number 16, Best 40's Buick, does not have a sponsor at this time.

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Nomination form**

Remembering Racing Engineer Phil Remington

By A. Wayne Ferens

Images Courtesy of the Ferens Collection

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After World War II, much of what is now called "Americas Car Culture" really began in the state of California. Returning GIs, many who had acquired specialized training while in the service, were looking for ways to put those newly acquired skills to work. Americans were eager to get on with their lives, return to work, start families and travel on the open roads that were expanding across the country.



So was the case for Phil Remington (1921-2013). He grew up in Santa Monica, California and attended Santa Monica Junior College before joining the service when World War II broke out. As a founding member of the Santa Monica Low-Flyers Hot Rod Club and working at Northrop Aircraft, Remington started modifying his own cars and could design, alter and soup-up just about anything he and his friends could dream up. At 16, he modified his 1934 Ford before taking it to a California dry lake where it was clocked at 95 mph.

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Regardless of what road you are on or what vintage car you are driving, enjoy every minute.

See Ya Down the Road !



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Our Facebook page is becoming more and more popular. It really is becoming a forum with many active contributors.

So join! Contribute! Make it a forum for all things VMCCA.

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